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SPECIAL EDITION

EDITOR'S APOLOGY

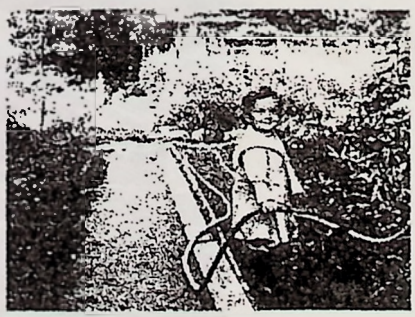
I must apologize to our new officers. President Armella Wharton, Vice President Ted Wharton, and Sec./Treas. Kerrie Gomes. In our last newsletter I was suppose to print the names of our new officers. I am really sorry especially to our new president Armella Wharton who is coming-up with some really great idea's. First she has donated a handmade doll to the member who brings in the most, new, working, dedicated members. So come-on down and see where you can help-out. We are open 5 days a week now and can use some really good hard workers. Second, with spring and summer here and yard work at hand, Armella has suggested that all working members split-up the flower gardens around the outside of the house and have your name posted on your garden that you will be taking care of. Of course the museum already has an automatic sprinkler system so all you will need to do is make sure your spot has the flowers you want and the weeds are plucked. There is some short fencing that we can put up to separate the gardens, or if you prefer to use something else, that is fine too. Third, we will be having a birthday cake at each of our meetings now. Any member who has a birthday that month, the cake will be there to celebrate it, even if you are not. As you can see Armella has been coming-up with some really great idea's an she is always open to new idea's. So once again I am really sorry for not putting this article in our last news letter.

Remember our monthly meetings are every third Wednesday at the museum at 7:00p.m. Come meet our new officers before it is time to change again

Editor Kerrie Gomes

VOLENTEER OF THE MONTH

Congradulations to Alyce Bottleson. She was voted volenteer of the month at our last meeting, for all her hard work and dedication. Thank you Alyce from the Gold Hill Historical Society.



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Thomas Chanmer

Kids answer science questions

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I really enjoyed the column you printed a while back sharing with your readers some responses students had given to science questions. While surfing the Internet, I found a few more, apparently taken from the tests of fifth- and sixth-graders. I hope you can print them and give your readers a good laugh. They made my day. — J.G. IN HOUSTON

DEAR J.G.: Thanks for the input. Here they are:

The law of gravity says no fair jumping up without coming back down.

You can listen to thunder and tell how close you came to getting hit. If you don't hear it, you got hit, so never mind.

Someday, we may discover how to make magnets that can point in any direction.

A vibration is a motion that cannot make up its mind which way it wants to go.

There are 26 vitamins in all, but some of the letters are yet to be discovered.

There is a tremendous weight pushing down on the center of the Earth because so many people are stomping around up there these days.

Ann Landers

Advice

Genetics explains why you look like your father, and if you don't, why you should.

Vacuums are nothings. We only mention them to let them know we know they're there.

The cause of perfume disappearing is evaporation. Evaporation gets blamed for a lot of things people forget to put the top on.

I'm not sure how clouds are formed, but clouds know how to do it, and that's the important thing.

Water vapor gets together in a cloud. When it is big enough to be called a drop, it does.

Rain is saved up in cloud banks.

It is so hot in some places that people there have to live in other places.

Mushrooms always grow in damp places, which is why they look like umbrellas.

Momentum is something you give a person when they go away.

A monsoon is a French gentleman.

The word "trousers" is an uncommon noun because it is singular at the top and plural at the bottom.

To keep milk from turning sour, keep it in the cow.

Some people can tell what time it is by looking at the sun, but I have never been able to make out the numbers.

When planets run around and around in circles, we say they are orbiting. When people do it, we say they are crazy.

In some rocks, you can find the fossil footprints of fishes.

For asphyxiation, apply artificial respiration until the patient is dead.

Blood circulates through the body by flowing down one leg and up the other.

Thunder is a rich source of loudness.

The four seasons are salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.

The alimentary canal is located in the northern part of Indiana.

One of the main causes of dust is janitors.

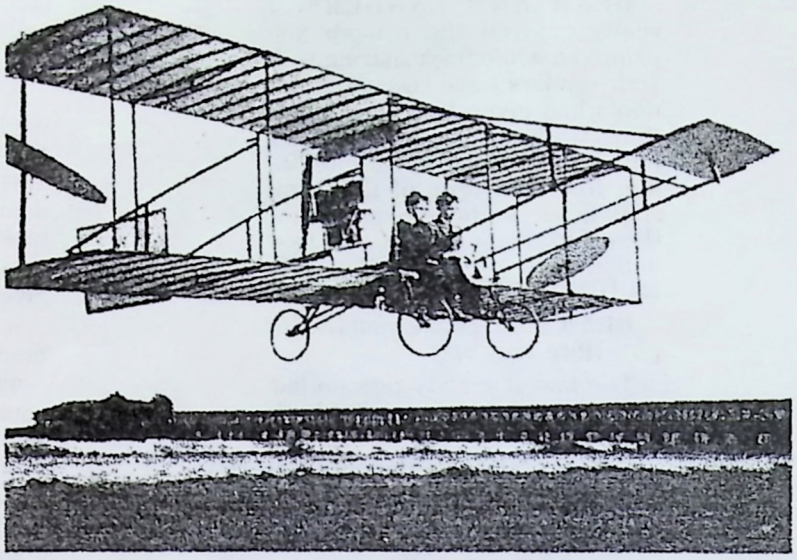
The inhabitants of Moscow are called Mosquitoes.

A census taker is a man who goes from house to house increasing the population.

A city purifies its water supply by filtering the water and then forcing it through an aviator.

The spinal column is a long bunch of bones. The head sits on the top, and you sit on the bottom.

KERRIE'S KITCHEN



CHOOSE - A - FRUIT ICE

1/3 CUP SUGAR
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2 TABLESPOONS LEMON JUICE.
FRESH STRAWBERRIES (optional)
FRESH MINT (optional)

Stir sugar into water until dissolved. Combine sugar mixture to desired fruit, and lemon juice in a blender. Cover and blend until mixture is nearly smooth. Pour into a 9x5x3 inch loaf pan. Cover and freeze for 4 to 5 hours or until almost firm.
Transfer frozen mixture to a chilled large mixing bowl. Beat with an electric mixer on medium speed for 2 minutes or until fluffy. Return fruit mixture to loaf pan. Cover and freeze for 6 hours or until firm. Before serving, let the frozen mixture stand about 20 minutes at room temperature. To serve us an ice-cream scoop to scrape along the ice to form a mound. If desired, garnish each serving with a fresh strawberry and a sprig of fresh mint. Makes 6 servings.

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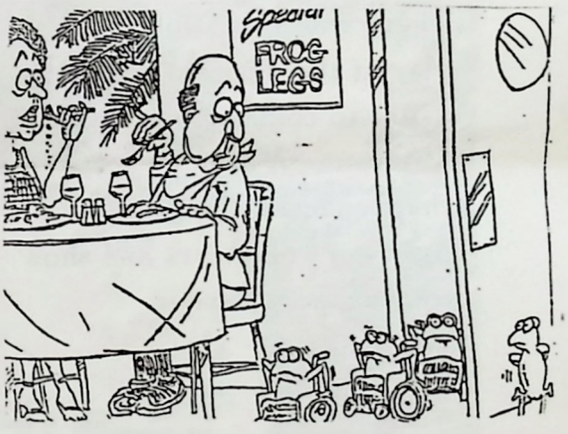
GIFT SHOP UPDATES:

Gold Hill was named for all the gold around and that is what the museum is trying to preserve so now you can too. We have recently purchased lots of new gold related items in our gift shop. Come down and see for yourself.

GOLD DUST DAYS

Gold Dust Days are just around the corner and we will be having a booth again this year in the park. But there will be some new and exciting things at the both this year. We will have gold panning kits, T-shirts, hats, gold magnets; face painting, and the biggest and newest edition, a Classy Wrap machine. What's that you say? Well you've seen them in the past and now we have one. A Classy Wrap machine is a machine that allows you to put just about anything into a balloon that will fit through a 3&1/2 inch hole. If you bring your own things to place into the balloon it will only cost $1.00 to get your items wrapped. Cost will very if the items come from our gift shop. So come on down, check it out and enjoy Gold Dust Days. Sat. June 14th. We will be selling raffle tickets for a Gold Hill Centennial Medallion at $1.00 each, drawing to be at our annual picnic Winner will be notified.



WAR MEMORIAL

There will be a Military display at the museum until July 15th, to commemorate all our Veterans, so come and see all the wonderful things on lone from our volunteers and show your support for our Veterans.

KIDS GOLD PANNING IN THE MUSEUM YARD?

Yes, you read that right, kids were gold panning in the museum yard on Friday April 18th. Our Curator Joyce Wayland and the Gold Hill YMCA kids got together for a gold panning lesson Joyce got a bucket of dirt from the Appelgate lake and set up this little activity to show the kids how easy and exciting it is to goldpan. The weather was not to cooperative so the panning didn't run long, but another date will most likely be set soon so the kids can do it again and not feel rushed. The kids all had fun even with the dreary weather. I am sure they are all looking forward to doing it again soon.

HANBY MIDDLE SCHOOL GOLD HILL, OREGON 30 YEARS' REUNION JUNE 21, 1997 6:00 P.M. TO 10:00 P.M. COME SEE HANBY! VISIT OLD FRIENDS, TEACHERS, AND STAFF FROM THE LAST 30 YEARS. THIS IS MR. PERDUE'S 30TH YEAR OF TEACHING. COME HELP US CELEBRATE! TELL YOUR CLASSMATES. R.S.V.P. 664-7291 OR FAX 855-9249.

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Gold Hill Plant

The Reporter Dug the Miners, not the Mine

"You carry the candle," Della Cook said, "and as soon as your eyes become accustomed to the darkness you'll be able to see just fine."

We were following Mrs. Cook and her husband Bob into a prospecting tunnel on their Foots Creek mining claim. We weren't really following by choice—but Cook insisted if he was going to tell us about mining he was also going to show us a quartz ledge.

Our eyes did become accustomed to the darkness—enough to realize that the heavy timbers that lined the first few feet of the tunnel were no more.

"Oh, don't worry about that," our guide said. "Those are just to support the entrance. That's the only place we ever had a cave-in. Just feel how solid the rock is in here."

Thus reported Marjorie O'Harra of the *Medford* (Oregon) *Mail Tribune* in a long story in a recent issue about Bob and Della Cook. Bob is a retired Blacksmith at the Gold Hill plant and the father of Chief Electrician Alva Cook.

Mrs. O'Harra's story continues:

"The room" is what Cook calls the place where the ledge has been uncovered for enough distance to satisfy him as to the general direction of the dip—the general direction of the ore chute he is hunting.

"If you crawl through that hole up there you break into the old Schieffelin works," Cook said. We took his word for it.

Once back out in the sunshine—and did that sunshine ever look good—Cook told us more about his mine venture. He has located a quartz claim on which he holds miners' rights. He must do $100 work on his claim each year—but it is work he loves.

As his wife put it: "When you spend your days up here life is good. When people go to tearing things to pieces that's not nature any more."

The fact that Cook is 87 years old doesn't phase either of them.

The Cooks have a cabin on Panther Gulch. They also have a home in Gold Hill, but "who wants to stay in town all the time?"

Cook has many stories to tell—of working on Foots Creek with Ed Schieffelin, the young man who was born "just north of the Birdseye place," left this country with a cattle drive, went to Arizona and discovered the famous Tombstone mine.

Sitting on the clean-swept porch of his Panther Gulch cabin—the listening was good:

"Schieffelin sold half interest in the Tombstone mine for $1 million, built a big, fancy home in California, then came back up through here prospecting. It was just a hobby with him then. He came in style, in a light stage drawn by four horses. He had a man to care for his horses and to do the cooking . . .

"Well—Schieffelin drove away from here in 1906 or so, and went on up to Days Creek, near Canyonville. He left his outfit and took off on foot. They found his horse several days later, tied to a tree and nearly starved to death. They found Schieffelin too, sitting upright in the door of an abandoned cabin. He was dead. Rich ore was laid out on the floor beside him. He had carried it in from somewhere—but—there are lots of stories about lost gold mines."

The morning had passed, it was time to leave. Through the open cabin door we could see an oilcloth-covered table set for lunch. It was centered with a bouquet of roses—Della Cook's one concession to life in the valley below.

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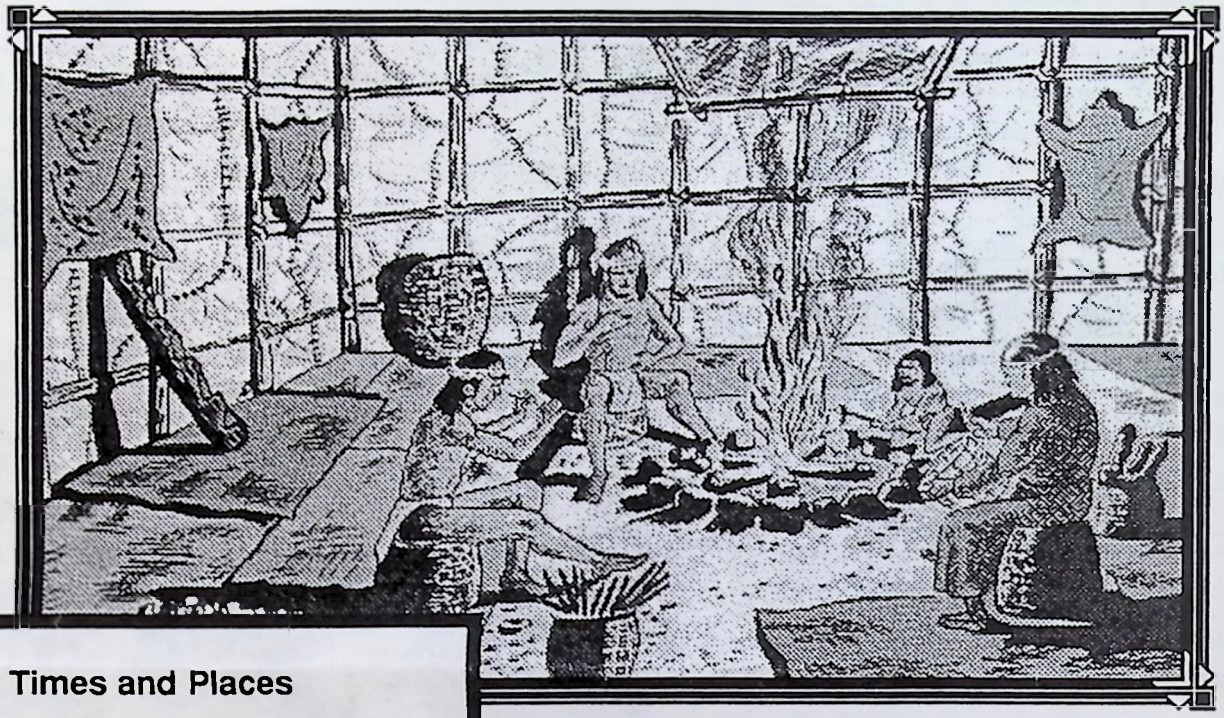

Times and Places

July 9th -
Jacksonville Museum 10:30 a.m.
Applegate Historical Society 1:00 p.m.

July 10th - Open

July 11th -
Eagle Point Historical Society 11:00 a.m.
Butte Falls Historical Society 1:30 p.m.

July 16th -
Gold Hill Historical Society 10:00 a.m.
Woodville Historical Society 1:00 p.m.

July 17th -
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